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Senate Resolution 1106

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Pearson of the 51st, Jackson of the 24th, Goggans of the 7th, Staton of the 18th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Thursday, February 18, 2010, as Transit Day in Georgia; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, there are 122 public transit systems serving all 56 Senate districts in the State
- 4 of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, mobility in Georgia is provided through human services transportation
- 6 providers, van pools, transportation management associations, and rural, urban, and
- 7 university transit systems; and
- 8 WHEREAS, public transportation provides mobility choices and, for this reason, more of
- 9 Georgia's residents are choosing to utilize public transit in their daily lives; and
- 10 WHEREAS, orderly economic growth and public health in some areas of Georgia are
- 11 jeopardized by air pollution, and transit usage contributes to a cleaner environment by
- 12 reducing the number of vehicles on Georgia's roadways; and
- 13 WHEREAS, investment in transit has proven to be an economic generator, with every \$1.00
- 14 invested providing a \$6.00 return in local economic development; and
- 15 WHEREAS, transportation needs in Georgia are increasing, with public transportation being
- used to access employment, medical appointments, nutritional needs, and destinations for
- 17 social, personal, and educational purposes; and
- 18 WHEREAS, in rural Georgia 43.6 percent of public transportation riders are seniors and 19.4
- 19 percent are individuals with disabilities; and
- 20 WHEREAS, transit provides congestion relief in crowded urban and suburban areas and
- 21 improves quality of life for all Georgians.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 23 commend public transportation in Georgia and recognize Thursday, February 18, 2010, as
- 24 Transit Day in Georgia.
- 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 26 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to members of the public and the press.